

The Alexandria Gazette

SATURDAY EVENING, MARCH 4.

NEWS BY TO-DAY'S MAIL.

There is serious trouble again brewing in Utah. Gen. Conner, in command of the Federal forces in that territory, recently established a provost guard in Salt Lake City. The act was resented by Brigham Young, who demanded the removal of the guard. On this being refused, he prepared to expel the guard by force, but Gen. Conner turned his guns on the city and the threatening demonstration was abandoned; but great discontent is said to prevail among the Mormons.

The London Shipping Gazette states that Federal recruiting agents have been very busy in Switzerland, and that volunteering for the Northern States, either as workmen or soldiers was going on to so great an extent as to induce the Swiss Government to advise, semi-officially, the citizens of that Republic to refrain from emigrating to America whilst the war lasts; but, above all, to abstain from taking military service there.

The U. S. House of Representatives has passed a bill prohibiting the enlistment of persons charged with crime in the District of Columbia, as substitutes in the army, and to prevent frauds at the city jail, under penalties of a fine of not less than \$250 nor more than \$1,000, and imprisonment for a term not less than three months nor more than one year.

Crinoline still holds its own, in Paris, in spite of the "quartier St. Germain" having declared against it. It is said that the ugliness of "rats" and "waterfalls," in head dressing, has prevailed to sink that fashion.

It is said the Confederates have very recently re-established their picket lines along the Rappahannock river. It is believed in that vicinity that it has been done for the protection of the contraband trade which is carried on in that quarter.

Information comes via the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, that a Confederate force, supposed to be small, have captured Pooltown, a point near Parkersburg.

On Thursday, thirty men, of Mosby's and Kinceloe's commands, recently captured in Loudoun and Fauquier counties, were forwarded from the Old Capitol prison to Fort Warren.

By the arrival at Halifax of the steamship Canada we have later advices from Europe. The American Peace Conference was the principal topic of discussion. Its failure was generally credited.

It is announced that the Great Eastern will be ready for sea, with the entire Atlantic cable on board, by the first of June.

A vote of thanks was passed last night in the U. S. Senate to Hon. H. Hamlin, and in the House of Representatives to Speaker Colfax, for the manner in which they had discharged their duties as presiding officers of both Houses, during the recent session of Congress.

Gen. McClellan intends to prolong his sojourn in Paris for some weeks, and thence go to Rome and Dresden, with the intention of spending next summer in the south of France, and returning to America next Autumn.

U. S. CONGRESS.—In the Senate yesterday the Indian appropriation bill was passed; also, the bill to establish civil government in the Indian country. The amendatory pension bill was passed. The amendatory tariff bill was passed. The bill to repeal so much of the act of July, 1864 as authorized the appointment of commercial agents for the purpose of trade with insurrectionary districts, was amended in some particulars and then passed. The report of the committee of conference on the freedmen's bureau bill was concurred in.

In the House, the Louisiana claimants to seats were each allowed \$2,000. The bill for the relief of loyal citizens of Loudoun county, Va., was passed. Mr. Pennington spoke in favor of the bill giving members of the Cabinet seats upon the floor of the House. The report of the conference committee on the freedman's bureau was concurred in.

In the evening session the Senate agreed to the conference committee report on the tax bill. The tax on sales one half of one per cent. on all sales, was stricken out. The uniform tax of \$10 per 1,000 was put on cigars in place of previous graduated scale.

A bill was passed by the House providing for the coining of three ct. pieces of metal, and prohibiting the issue of paper currency of less denomination than five cents.

Senator Trumbull and Representatives Wilson and Dawson, as the select committee of the two houses of Congress, waited upon President Lincoln and informed him of his re-election. To this he responded:

"Having served four years in the depths of a great and yet unended national peril, I can view this call to a second term in no wise more flattering to myself than as an expression of the public judgment that I may better finish a difficult work, in which I have labored from the first, than could any one less severely schooled to the task. In this view and with increased reliance on that Almighty Ruler who has so graciously sustained us thus far, and with increased gratitude to the generous people for their continued confidence, I accept the renewed trust with its yet onerous and perplexing duties and responsibilities."

A Vermont paper tells this tale of remarkable affliction: "On Monday, January 21, Major John Poor, of Moretown, a very active energetic old gentleman, who has been singularly blessed with a robust constitution, sickened of lung fever and died; on Wednesday he was followed by his wife, and on Thursday both were buried. A daughter, also prostrated by the same disease, is pronounced beyond recovery; and a son in the army, who was summoned home to attend, as a sole survivor, the burial rites of his deceased parents, returned a reply that his leg had just been amputated, consequently he was unable to come home."

The Professor who holds the Hebrew chair at Sorbonne, France, is over 60 years old, and is blind. His name is Munck. He is a Silesian Jew, and a man of great erudition. In 1856, since he lost his sight, he deciphered the hieroglyphics on an ancient sarcophagus at the Louvre, his only guide being his finger tips. He is equally versed in Sanscrit, Arabic and Chaldaic.

More ice has been stored in the Northern ice houses this winter, than in any previous season.

INAUGURATION DAY.—This morning was very inclement, but notwithstanding, large numbers went up to Washington to witness the inauguration. The ceremonies took place at the Capitol. President Lincoln was sworn into office by Chief Justice Chase; and Vice President Johnson was installed in the Senate Chamber. An immense crowd filled the streets of Washington. The weather militated against the display. The Inaugural Address, by the time this paper goes to press, is doubtless in the hands of the public. About 12 o'clock, the weather brightened and the sun came out.

The Richmond Examiner, of the 23d ult. says:—"We learn that it was at express and earnest solicitation of General Beauregard that Gen. Johnston has recently been placed in command of the forces operating in the Carolinas. It is understood that General Beauregard wrote to the President, saying that the general sentiment of the public, and particularly that of the army of Tennessee were so urgent for Gen. Johnston's restoration to command, that he was induced to join his own desire with theirs; that he did not wish to be removed from his present field of operations, but preferred to serve there under Gen. Johnston, having had with him former occasions of service and confidence."

A letter from Winchester states that Gen. Sheridan has sent Mrs. Hugh H. Lee, Miss Lee and two Miss Burwells beyond the Federal lines, for indiscreet conduct, which provoked the exercise of military power. Mrs. M. A. Sheward and three daughters were also ordered to be sent South, but the order relating to Mrs. S. was subsequently revoked. The two Lees are relatives of Gen. Lee.

[COMMUNICATED.]

Please mention in the Gazette, that there is much complaint just now, about the quality of the gas used, and the noxious odor that comes from it in burning. I do not know the cause of this, but it ought to be rectified.

A CITIZEN.

DIED.

Last evening, after an illness of two months, MARY C., wife of John Wesley Benter, aged 26 years. Ever gentle and unassuming in her manners she won for herself a large number of friends who will deeply sympathize with her husband and children in this sad bereavement. The funeral will take place to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon at 3 o'clock, from the residence of her husband, West End.

At the residence of Mr. John A. Wood, in Pomonkey, Md., on the 9th of February, Mr. JOHN E. LUCKETT, in the 25th year of his age.

In Charles county, Md., on the morning of the 21st ultimo, at his father's residence, GEORGE ARTHUR, son of Zachariah and Caroline E. Webster, in the 18th year of his age.

COL. DANIEL F. DULANEY.—I am exceedingly gratified to find that our esteemed fellow-citizen, Col. Daniel F. Dulaney, has been presented to the voters of this corporation for the mayoralty. The Colonel is a true Virginian gentleman, and is of undoubted loyalty. He showed his manliness when some of those who are trying to defame him, skulked from their duty. The selection is a most excellent one; and I hope he will receive that support which his merits so richly deserve. Let a man be a man; and let justice be done, if the heavens fall. (mh 4-1t) JUSTICE.

LOST, March 1, 1865, on King st., between Patrick and Henry sts., A BRAID OF HAIR. A liberal reward to be given to any one that delivers it at 253, King st. mh 2-8t